



Recommendation for Action

File #: 21-1212, **Agenda Item #:** 54.

3/4/2021

Posting Language

Authorize award of three multi-term contracts for three phase distribution padmount transformers, with KBS Electrical Distributors Inc.; WESCO Distribution, Inc. D/B/A Hi-Line Utility Supply Co, LLC aka Power Supply; and Techline Inc., each for up to five years for total contract amounts not to exceed \$56,875,000, divided among the contractors.

(Note: This solicitation was reviewed for subcontracting opportunities in accordance with City Code Chapter 2-9D Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. For the goods required for this solicitation, there were no subcontracting opportunities; therefore, no subcontracting goals were established).

Lead Department

Purchasing Office.

Client Department(s)

Austin Energy.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$6,635,417 is available in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining contract term is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

Purchasing Language:

The Purchasing Office issued an Invitation for Bids (IFB) 1100 DTB1020 for these goods. The solicitation issued on September 28, 2020 and closed on October 20, 2020. Of the 12 offers received the recommended contractors submitted the lowest responsive offers. A complete solicitation package, including a log of offers received, is available for viewing on the City's Financial Services website, Austin Finance Online. Link: [Solicitation Documents](https://www.austintexas.gov/financeonline/account_services/solicitation/solicitation_details.cfm?sid=134687)
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For More Information:

Inquiries should be directed to the City Manager's Agenda Office, at 512-974-2991 or AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov <<mailto:AgendaOffice@austintexas.gov>>

NOTE: Respondents to this solicitation, and their representatives, shall continue to direct inquires to the solicitation's Authorized Contact Person: DeJuan Brown, at 512-322-6472 or DeJuan.Brown@austintexas.gov <<mailto:DeJuan.Brown@austintexas.gov>>.

Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

February 8, 2021 - Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission on an 8-0 vote, with Commissioners Ferchill, Funkhouser, and Wray absent.

Additional Backup Information:

The contract will provide three phase distribution padmount transformers for Austin Energy on an as needed basis. These transformers reduce primary voltage from 12,470 volts to a lower secondary voltage of 208/240 to enable use by customers in apartment buildings, schools, hospitals, and industrial sites, and are designed to be weather resistant. These transformers will replenish inventory stock.

This contract replaces an existing contract that expires June 1, 2021. All the recommended contractors are local and two of the recommended contractors are current providers of these goods.

Strategic Outcome(s):

Government That Works for All.